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Joint Resolution

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[H.J. Res. 440]

To designate the week of December 1, 1985, through December 7, 1985, as "National Autism Week".

Whereas autism is a serious disorder affecting over 350,000 children and adults;

Whereas autism is a lifelong brain disorder that prevents proper understanding of what an individual sees, hears, or otherwise senses;

Whereas autism causes severe problems in learning, communication, and behavior;

Whereas few of the general public understand this complex neurological disability;

Whereas support groups have dedicated years of service to the education and welfare of all persons with autism;

Whereas these groups remain committed to educating the general public to a better understanding of this disability; and

Whereas autism is a complex disorder that needs greater recognition and research to further understand the disability: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the week of December 1, 1985, through December 7, 1985, is designated National Autism Week. The President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe this week with appropriate programs and activities.

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